

Appl. No. 10/775,707  
Amdt. dated January 10, 2005  
Reply to Office action of December 9, 2004

### Remarks/Arguments

Applicants note with appreciation the finding of allowability of claims 12-20 and 28-34, as well as the indication of allowable subject matter of claims 37-45. To that end, Applicants has amended claim 35 to include the subject matter considered allowable formerly recited in claim 38. Claim 15 was amended to more clearly define the invention. Amendments to claim 15 were not necessitated by information, prior art or otherwise, material to the patentability of the claims. Applicants respectfully contend that in view of the aforementioned amendments all pending claims define an invention suitable for patent protection.

Applicants respectfully request further consideration in view of the remarks and amendments set forth above. A notice of allowance is earnestly solicited.

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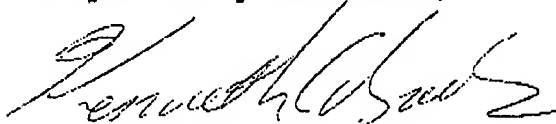
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